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LB 304

CLERK: Mr. President, (read title). The bill was read on January 17th, referred to the Urban Affairs Committee. The bill was advanced to General File, Mr. President. There are Urban Affairs Committee amendments pending.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Newell, are you going to take those?

SENATOR NEWELL: Yes. The Urban Affairs Committee amendments are amendments that do a number of things. First of all, as the bill was written, it changed the requirements for bidding that has to be published from the original fifteen thousand to ten thousand which makes it an increase from seven thousand five hundred or an increase of \$2,500. The amendments also add some provisions for Public Works Departments allowing certain items that they can not...they can buy without putting out for bid to newspapers and to public bidding provisions. Now the bill...the amendments probably, I have some other amendments that will change the committee amendments themselves and we can probably deal with those in a little bit. The committee amendments are improperly drafted and so I will immediately amend them with a more proper draft as soon as we adopt them.

CLERK: Mr. President, I think Senator Newell would move to amend his committee amendments.

SENATOR NEWELL: Those are the amendments to the committee amendments?

CLERK: Yes.

SENATOR NEWELL: Okay, that is the way I was going to do it. (Interruption).

CLERK: Page 1242 and 43 of the Journal.

SENATOR NEWELL: The committee staff from the Urban Affairs Committee has not gotten up here and we were supposed to do one other bill before that. The committee staff can get up here any time now. These amendments were amendments that I worked out with...we need to get a little prepared for these things. These amendments, some changes that Senator Wagner brought to my attention some clarifications and, frankly, there was a provision where we forgot for second class cities to reduce it from fifteen thousand to ten thousand so that is what the committee amendments do. Actually it puts the bill in the shape that I intended...the committee amendments in the shape that they were supposed to be in and as I explained them earlier. So I move the Newell amendment to the committee amendments.